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Mr. Helms

Attached are proposed letters of appreciation to General John D. Ryan, Commander in Chief, Strategic Air Command, and General Dean C. Strother, Commander in Chief, North American Air Defense Command, for briefings given to members of our Midcareer Course.

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General Dean C. Strother  
Commander in Chief,  
North American Air Defense Command  
Ent Air Force Base  
Colorado Springs, Colorado

Dear General Strother:

I wish to thank you for the outstanding briefings given by officers of your Command to a visiting CIA group on 8 June.

To Colonel G. P. Gould and the team which he assembled goes our sincere appreciation. From General Griffith's opening remarks to General Stocking's answers during the question period in the Combat Operations Center, each part of the program helped to convey effectively the problems and capabilities of the North American Air Defense Command.

I hope that other CIA groups may have the opportunity of visiting NORAD Headquarters for these informative briefings.

Sincerely,

ORIGINATOR:

Richard Helms  
Deputy Director

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/s/ L. K. White

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General John D. Ryan  
Commander in Chief,  
Strategic Air Command  
Headquarters, Offutt Air Force Base  
Nebraska

Dear General Ryan:

I would like to thank you for the excellent briefings which officers of your Command gave on 7 and 9 June to the members of the CIA Mid-career Executive Development Course. The information and tours provided at Strategic Air Command Headquarters and at Francis E. Warren AFB served effectively to increase our Midcareerists' understanding of the nature and role of strategic deterrence.

At Offutt AFB, General Smith and the officers of the Directorate of Intelligence were most thorough in their descriptions of the responsibilities and activities of the Directorate and its Divisions. The DAC Briefing by Captain Walthall achieved a particularly noteworthy impact.

At Warren AFB, the assistance provided by Colonel G. W. Eldridge was greatly appreciated, as were Colonel M. Johnson's briefings and his participation in the tour of the launch control facility and the launch facility.

By their obvious professionalism and enthusiasm all of the officers and men who took part in organizing and conducting our visits reflected credit on the Strategic Air Command.

I hope that future Midcareer Courses may have the opportunity to visit SAC installations.

Sincerely,

ORIGINATOR:

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Richard Helms  
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/s/ L. K. White

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